

Preliminary Amendment
Appln. No. Based on PCT/JP03/010428

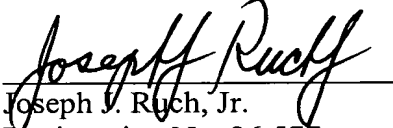
REMARKS

Claims 3, 23, 27, 31, and 36 have been amended, claims 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 18, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26, 29, 35, and 37 have been cancelled, and new claims 38 and 39 have been added, to place the claims in desired appropriate form for examination. Thus, all of the claims are now in appropriate form, and the Examiner is respectfully requested to proceed with the examination of the pending claims.

Early favorable action is earnestly solicited.

In the event that the Examiner believes that it may facilitate the further prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number indicated below.

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